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1. [] Prepared a suggested reply to a letter to Senator Hubert H. Humphrey (D., Minn.) from a constituent who questioned the Congressional control over CIA. The letter was delivered to the Senator's office and discussed with Miss Chris Jackson.

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2. [] Delivered, on behalf of Mr. Miller, a suggested reply to a letter to Senator Frank Church (D., Idaho) from a constituent who requested information concerning the Agency for a research paper.

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3. [] Talked with Stuart French, OSD/ISA, in connection with the preparation of our response to Senator Symington's letter of 9 March setting forth the charter of his Subcommittee on U.S. Security Agreements and Commitments Abroad.

French indicated that the White House working group, which was established in the last Congress to deal with matters concerning the Symington Subcommittee, was being reinstituted. In the meantime the White House has suggested that departments and agencies merely acknowledge the receipt of the Symington letter and designate the individuals who will serve as liaison with the Subcommittee.

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4. [] Talked with Scott Cohen, on the staff of Senator Charles Percy (R., Ill.), in followup to the Senator's request to the Director for a briefing on Soviet strategic missiles. Arrangements were made for Mr. Duckett to brief the Senator at his home this evening. Cohen expressed the hope that he and the Senator's Administrative Assistant, Joe Farrell, could sit in on the briefing, but I told him our ground rules that briefings at this classification level were given to Members only. Cohen accepted this.

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5. [] in the Special Access Section of DIA, called and asked if they could be provided with an updated machine run of the 1969 machine listing on Compartmented Information Access for Congressional Staff Members. I told [] I would contact our Security people and have them follow up on this. This was turned over to [], Office of Security.

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6. [] Accompanied [] OCI, to a briefing of former Speaker John McCormack. This was the second of the bimonthly briefings which are being given McCormack pursuant to instructions from the White House. Subjects covered included the new Soviet ICBM developments, Vietnam, the Middle East and Pakistan.

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7. [] Called Jim Gehrig, Staff Director, Senate Space Committee, and made arrangements for Mr. Duckett and Mr. Brandwein to brief junior members of the Committee on the Soviet space program tomorrow at 10 a.m. Gehrig expects Senators Weicker, Buckley, and Goldwater to attend.

I mentioned to Gehrig that Senator Margaret Chase Smith had expressed an interest in attending any of our briefings on this subject and suggested he might also want to include her. Gehrig said he would consider this; but in view of her senior position and the fact that much of the material that would be covered in this briefing is already known to her, he felt it would be better to bring her up-to-date at another time.

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8. [] OCI, and [] briefed Messrs. John Blandford and Frank Slatinshek, House Armed Services Committee staff, on the Israel/Egypt situation. The briefing was an informal general updating to insure that there had been no major change in the "relation" between the two countries. One item of followup, Mr. Slatinshek requested information on [] [] Dr. Chamberlain, OSI, has been advised.

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9. [] Talked to Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, who confirmed his earlier conversation with John Clarke, OPPB, that he will accommodate the Agency's needs and schedule our budget presentation for late April.

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10. [] Mr. Carl Duckett, DDS&T, accompanied by [] met with Senator Charles Percy (R., Ill.) in response to the Senator's request of yesterday to Mr. Helms for current briefing on Soviet ICBM's. The briefing was short and extremely cordial. The Senator was primarily interested in the recent ICBM developments. Senator Percy intends a major speech on SALT proposals. It was explicit that no attribution in any future remarks, should they touch on the areas discussed, will be given to the Agency or meeting with Mr. Duckett.

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11. [] Received a call from Mrs. Arnold, in the office of Senator Hugh Scott (R., Pa.), who requested a personnel interview for []. After making the arrangements with [] Personnel, I advised Mrs. Arnold that the interview was scheduled for 2:30 p.m., Thursday, 18 March.

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12. [] Per arrangements made with Steve Thayer in Senator Muskie's downtown office, I delivered several maps of Nigeria to the Senator's Capitol Hill office.

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